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Vandalism hits local schools

by Tamara Collins

Two Didsbury schools were the target of vandalism between Jan. 28th and Feb. 1st.

Ross Ford Elementary and Westglen School were both painted with graffiti on the west exterior walls. Blue and gold spray paint was used by unknown individuals.

The graffiti was discovered Tuesday morning after the school's long weekend, first by Westglen school. Principal Phil Corning called the RCMP to report it. It was soon discovered the vandals also struck Ross Ford.

"We are hoping somebody has seen something and they will come forward, maybe someone is missing some cans of spray paint or someone witnessed it."

-Cst. Tim Diebel,
Didsbury RCMP

"The vandalism was cleaned up that morning," said Cst. Tim Diebel. "It contained some bad words we did not want the children to see."

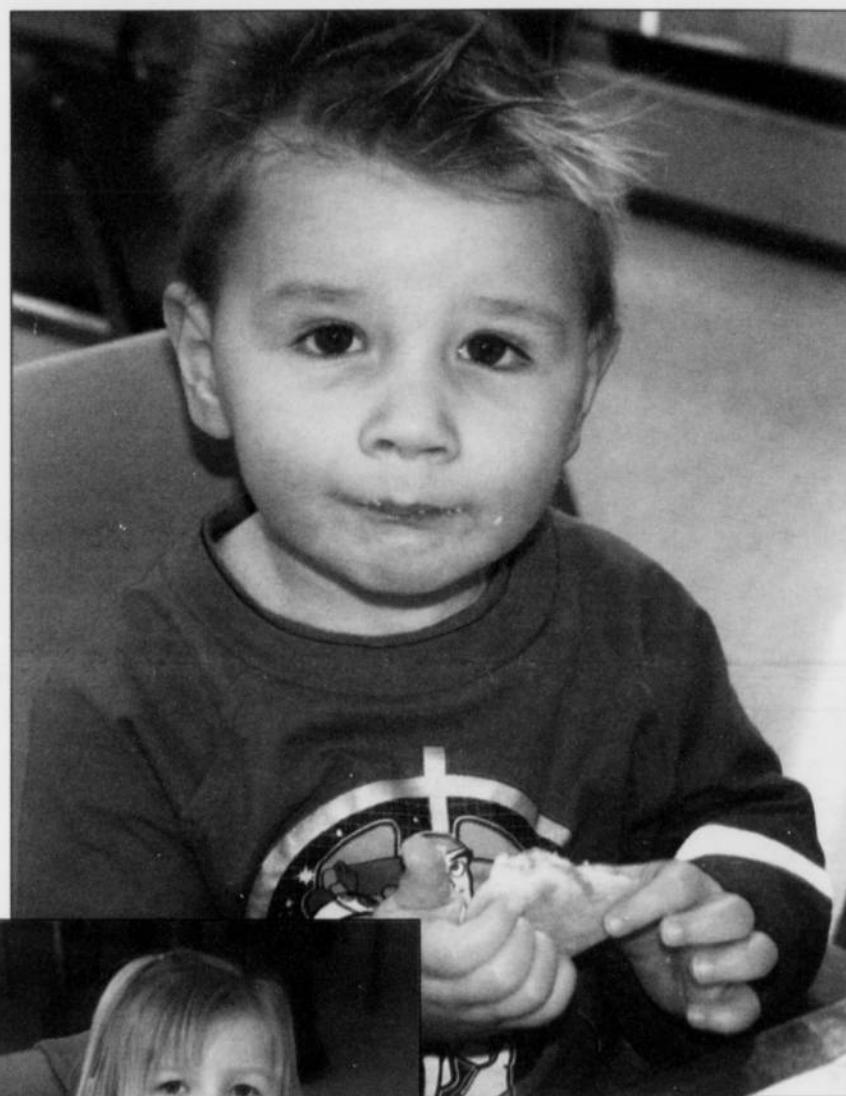
There was no evidence left at the scene leaving the RCMP with no suspects.

"We are hoping somebody has seen something and they will come forward," said Diebel. "Maybe someone is missing some cans of spray paint or someone witnessed it."

Westglen was sprayed in three different spots and Ross Ford was sprayed in one spot.

"It is a good two cans worth of paint," said Diebel.

If you have any information about this crime you are asked to call the local RCMP detachment at 335-3382.



Valentine's Party

Ross Ford kindergarten students spent Monday morning with the long term residents at the Didsbury Hospital. The class tries to visit with the residents once every six weeks. On this particular visit the students helped prepare soup for lunch, and shared some Valentine cheer. Families were invited to join the kids and residents for lunch. Above: This little guy and Maia Kondla (left) both enjoyed their cupcakes.

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CHINOOK'S EDGE SCHOOL DIVISION

CESD supports pre-kindergarten program

by Tamara Collins

It was not long ago the government was discussing implementing kindergarten in Alberta schools, now discussions have started about the possibility of having a pre-kindergarten program, starting children in school at the age of four in Chinook's Edge School Division, (CESD).

Steffie Woima School in Sylvan Lake was the first school in the CESD to try out a pre-kindergarten program. With the success of this trial, CESD is now in support of having the program in more of their schools, and they will express this at their meeting with the CESD principals on Feb. 17.

At the CESD board meeting Wednesday Hugh Davidson, principal of Steffie Woima addressed the board with the positive experience his school had from the program.

"We've learned one thing," said Davidson. "That this program immensely benefited the 15 students involved, we have seen these students do amazing things."

The pre-kindergarten program is designed for four year olds, and the curriculum meets the needs of children, it is a play based program.

"The success of the students is the amazing thing, these students are getting a little bit ahead because they are in a school environment. When they enter kindergarten they will be in a better position not to withdraw after this program."

-Hugh Davidson,
principal, Steffie Woima

"It is a language rich environment, which is what we are trying to develop," said Davidson.

The CESD board approved the operation of this pre-kindergarten program at Steffie Woima for next year.

Starting in March this program will increase from three mornings a week to four mornings a week, totaling 434 hours.

"In March we will be monitoring the children's fatigue closely," said Davidson.

A very important aspect in this program is the participation of the student's parents.

"We need one hundred percent commitment from the parents to support the therapy at school and to continue it at home," said Davidson.

The program is not open to all children, just children who are considered gifted and talented and children with learning needs, such as a speech challenge.

"The success of the students is the amazing thing," said Davidson. "These students are getting a little bit ahead because they are in a school environment. When they enter kindergarten they will be in a better position

not to withdraw after this program."

If enough schools and communities show interest in the program CESD superintendent Jim Gibbons says they can apply through him

to have a program of their own.

"This program helps give students a head start," said Gibbons. "It makes it easier for them when they start school."

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CHINOOK'S EDGE SCHOOL DIVISION

CESD meets with Education Minister

by Tamara Collins

This week Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD) will be meeting with the Education Minister Gene Zwozdesky to highlight its recent recognition of being one of the top four school boards in the province and discuss future plans to continue to improve.



Roy Brassard

"We are looking forward to meeting with the new minister for the second time and bringing him up to date on everything we have been working on, we are going to talk to him about the programs we have in our schools like the exercise programs and healthy living program, which involves putting healthier food choices in our vending machines."

-said Roy Brassard, CESD Chairman

Minister Zwozdesky is presently meeting with schools boards across the province. CESD is excited about their opportunity to meet with the Minister and discuss its recognition as one of the top four boards for improving student learning and for its initiative with health and wellness. The board also wants to showcase its focus on character education, and values

such as kindness, empathy, conscience and respect.

"We are looking forward to meeting with the new minister for the second time and bringing him up to date on everything we have been working on," said CESD chairman Roy Brassard. "We are going to talk to him about the programs we have in our schools like the exercise programs and healthy living program, which involves putting healthier food choices in our vending machines. We are also working on moral education projects in all of our schools, and the minister is not yet familiar with that."

The board is also going to be discussing some challenges they have faced, such as the current funding model. The board believes the current funding model does not provide sufficient funding to maintain education in rural Alberta. Also on the funding issue, the board will bring up its concerns about the expansion of separate school divisions and how it is having an impact for rural school divisions financially, specifically on the schools' abilities to offer programming to students.

"We are there to discuss our celebrations, the good things, and the challenges," said Jim Gibbons, CESD Superintendent. "We don't have a lot of time to discuss everything." The entire CESD board will be attending the meeting which will take place in Red Deer, but three of them will present their presentation.

"We want him to understand our achievements, such as being in the top four school boards and how we got there," said Brassard. "The minister's time is valuable, but these meetings are important because he represents all our concerns."



photo by Tamara Collins

Snowy conditions

Motorists fought hard to stay on Highway 2 yesterday during a snow storm that started in the afternoon. This semi-truck was one of many vehicles that lost control and ended up in the ditch with damage to its front end. The driver was not injured.

Catholic school division expansion concerns CESD chairman

By Shawne Mohl

A January 24 vote which passed allowing the Red Deer Catholic School Division (RDCSD) to expand their territory into the Town of Didsbury has sparked more concern from Chinook's Edge School Division's (CESD) chairman, Roy Brassard.

Brassard, a Catholic himself, was disappointed that fellow Catholics in his hometown voted to expand the school division, and fears that it might even expand into Carstairs in the future.

On January 27, 134 Catholics cast their vote, 112 were in favor of the expansion, 21 were against, and one ballot was spoiled. However, 112 ballots were enough to pass the vote and expand the district.

Brassard's main concern is the fact that CESD already have budgeting constraints, so with another public school system stepping in, says that the more students taken away from their schools, obviously the less funding that they are going to receive.

"There is no question that any of this impacts on existing student populations," Brassard said. "All of the kids in the Carstairs, Didsbury, Olds area are now being housed in an educational facility. To build another school completely is going to take away kids from somewhere and it's going to put a drain on the overall area."

The RDCSD has plans to construct a new school in the Town of Olds where students will be

bussed from Didsbury, and possibly even from Carstairs if enough interest was sparked in the community.

Brassard doesn't believe this will prevent the government from going ahead with two new school builds, one planned for the Olds Jr. /Sr. High School as well as a new elementary school in Carstairs, but says it will still hurt CESD.

"Anything is going to impact on the numbers," Brassard said. "They said they hope to have 450 kids in their school. I think that is optimistic, but if it's true there are 450 kids coming from somewhere."

If 450 students were pulled out of CESD schools that would result in a funding drop of approximately \$2.2 million as the school division receives approximately \$5,000 per student.

Brassard says he is against two public systems being in one community. He doesn't have a problem with private schools, as they don't receive much Provincial funding, but this Catholic school in Didsbury receives public dollars, ultimately taking away funding for CESD.

"I believe that you have two public systems competing for limited education dollars — that's what it comes down to," he said. "Education could use more money, it's acknowledged by everyone. I believe that there are compromises that could be made that wouldn't have a negative impact on the RDCSD."

One idea which Brassard

presented to the RDCSD was to have the school housed under the CESD name, which would still allow funding to be given to CESD and not the RDCSD.

"This way you could better coordinate the dollars available. You could have one set of busses, rather than two," he said. "Right now it just seems there are two public systems vying for limited dollars."

One personal challenge with Brassard is now that the RDCSD has expanded into the Town in which he resides, is that he has automatically become a member of the Catholic school division, and no longer of CESD.

This means that when the next election rolls around, unless he chooses to give up his Catholic religion he will not be allowed to run as a Trustee for CESD again.

"Every catholic in this area automatically becomes a member of the Red Deer Catholic School Division, so I would no longer be able to run for public office in any division except my own."

Brassard could also be challenged to step down now if a member of the community took his challenge to the Government.

"If someone challenged me in the community and said, 'I don't think you should be there (on CESD board)', they could go to the Government and the Government could ask me to step down because they would say I am no longer a member of that school division."

OPINIONS

EDITORIAL

Time to butt out

This week Cuba was the next place to go smoke free in public places. I think that this is really great. The question I have is, what about us...

I think enforcing a provincial smoking ban in public places is a great idea. People have the right to choose to smoke or not, so why don't non smokers have the right to go out for dinner without having their lungs intoxicated with these harmful chemicals? Everyone is so concerned about the smokers, well who is thinking about the non-smokers who pretty much have to hide in their own homes to stay away from it.

How come it is not clear to everyone that smoking kills. It kills smokers and it kills non-smokers. Why is the decision to put people's health at risk easier to make than saving people's lives?

Maybe there are people out there who want to quit and I hear this is not an easy thing to do, yet everywhere they go they are forced to smell it and breath it.

I think smoking takes control in public places when people let it. Lets get that control back.

Raising cigarette prices is simply helping the government, it is not helping society quit. To help people quit we must not allow smoking to take place everywhere. We need to start looking after our children and ourselves.

TAMARA COLLINS
EDITORIAL

Photo by Tamara Collins



Wonderings of the heart

Margaret Fradley

"Our Conversation"

As we look back over our day, how much of our conversation has been about the weather; our health, or lack thereof; how much have we talked and shared about the negative things happening around about us, in our country and around the world?

Have we ever considered how our conversation has an effect on those we speak to, is it enlightening, encouraging, uplifting, does it bring hope?

As we read our newspapers, listen to the news, certainly there is much to be concerned about, much to be sorrowful for, yet, there are also some beautiful stories of courage and hope; news of people reaching out in love to one another in difficult times; so often a great need is aired, and there are always people who respond to that need.

Certainly, we need to be aware of what is happening round about us, and around the world, and we need to respond to those needs as we are able, but it is also important that we focus our conversation on the good, the positive, the uplifting, for there are many who need a word of love, a word of encouragement, and just someone who cares. So often we need to think twice before we speak!

MYRON THOMPSON'S COLUMN

Pressure on the Liberals to drop CAIS deposit

Myron Thompson, Member of Parliament for Wild Rose was pleased last evening when a Conservative motion calling on the government to immediately drop the Canadian Agriculture Income Stabilization (CAIS) deposit passed in the House of Commons.

The motion read as follows: That, in light of the numerous recent disasters affecting agricultural communities across Canada and the government's failure to deliver timely financial relief to struggling farmers, whether by the Canadian Agricultural Income Stabilization (CAIS) program or other programs, the House calls on the government to immedi-

ately drop the CAIS deposit requirement and honour the commitments it has already made to Canadian producers.

The motion was voted down by Agriculture Minister Andy Mitchell, but did receive unanimous support from the Conservatives, the Bloc Quebecois and the N.D.P. and passed with 158 votes in favour and 114 against.

"Everywhere I go I keep hearing the same things over and over; the CAIS program is not working, it is complicated, it requires an army of accountants for people who can barely afford the normal burden of government paperwork. It is backlogged, the cheques

never arrive, and it does not pay out," said Thompson.

"While the CAIS deposit requirement has simply been universally rejected by producers across the country as a policy that unfairly hurts our farmers. It ties up producer's money and deposits that could otherwise be used to invest in much needed farm equipment or to pay off other farm expenses," stated Thompson.

"With the vote last night, the House of Commons has spoken overwhelmingly on this issue. It is now up to the Minister of Agriculture to act on this motion, if he does not then he will clearly be thumbing his nose at Parliament, the democratic process and at farmers across the country," concluded Thompson.

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FROM THE MAILBAG

Same sex marriage and adoptions and rights of all

Dear Editor:

I am a new Christian person (3 yrs.) and I speak on the behalf of the Lord Jesus. He is not religion, but a love spirit who gave his word to live by for our own good. He put these words on my heart to write to you. What you do with this letter is up to you. I pray and hope that this letter falls in the right hands to make a difference in helping people to understand the reason why the Lord gave us his words of wisdom for our benefit.

Paul Martin is a very rich man. He was rich before he became our Prime Minister. It is hard for a rich person to see into the lives of the middle class and lower class income families and single people. He believes that he is right in allowing gay people in what he believes is their rights.

In this world we are all sinners. Not one of us is a better person than the other. We all sin in some way or the other. Sometimes we get lost in our sins and forget about the rights of others through our own selfishness.

Living in a common law relationship most couples have the same rights as marriage. Except for one-adoption. This is why I believe gay people are seeking the right to be married, in order to raise children.

This I believe is selfish on the gay peoples part. They know that their lifestyle is not normal, but desire, to place innocent children into their lifestyle for their own family fulfilling. Without considering what the children will have to endure being placed in this lifestyle.

As a single parent of 2 boys for 24 years, not once did they say they wanted another mother living with us. But would most definitely have welcomed a father.

As a mother of two sons I can verify the fact that life for children and teens, in our society today is extremely hard for them socially. In our schools they are put through bullying for things like: wearing glasses, being fat, being too smart, style of clothes, color of skin, looking too good or not good enough, being shy or slow, being too ac-

tive or not active enough, being A.D.D. or A.D.H.D. Child bullying has gotten to the point of stabbings. Which is very dangerous. Can you imagine what it would be like for a child coming from a gay household? Socially? How would a gay couple prevent them from going through this? Keep them from going to school? Home schooling them? Keeping them locked away from society and friendships? Is that fair to the children? How would the children grow up? Being gay themselves? Seeing it as a normal lifestyle because they were raised with it? That is dan-

gerous for our country. Man and women were meant to procreate. If our children are taught that it is ok to live in a gay relationship and marriage, which should be a lifetime commitment and they teach this to generations under them, this could be very damaging to our country's population.

How about a mother forced to give up her baby for adoption, hoping for a better quality of life for her baby. Now she has to be concerned if her normal baby will be adopted by a gay couple and the things the child will have to endure, socially.

Would you want to grow up in a gay household?

Paul Martin was thinking of the rights of gay people, but is failing to see the rights of innocent children across this country, and generations to follow after us. I would say that those millions of people's rights, over the long term, far exceed the number of gay rights at this present time. The Lord Jesus gave us his word, because his wisdom far exceeds ours. Not because of religion. It is wrong for two

men, or two women to be married, because it is against procreation and development of a country. And it allows for highly immoral lifestyles that can lead to dangerous diseases, and more abuse than what this world is already faced with.

Thank you, so much, for taking the time to consider this letter.

Sincerely,
C.B. Allen

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NEWS

Edmonton's Police Farce Serious Business

by Ian Gray

It would be easy to dismiss the turmoil and controversy now ensnaring the Edmonton Police Service as a purely local issue; or as a few bad apples; or a tempest in a tea pot. It would be easy, but it would be wrong.

What's at issue is the retention by Alberta's citizens of control over their own police. It also involves police governance and the possible abuse of public resources for the purposes of revenge.

For anyone who doesn't yet know the basic details: last November the Edmonton Chapter of the Canadian Association of Journalists held a pre-election 'mixer' event at that city's 'Overtime' bar, a popular downtown watering hole. It was hosted by CAJ Chapter President Kerry Diotte, who's also an outspoken columnist for the Edmonton Sun. It was attended by Martin Ignasiuk, the equally outspoken Chair of the Edmonton Police Commission. Both men have been critical of some of the practices and/or policies of the EPS, as is their right and responsibility.

In a nutshell: claiming they were acting on a tip or tips that Diotte, the police staked out the bar with at least 7 officers, some of them in plain clothes. They say it was part of a larger anti-drunk operation (although no charges were ever laid that night). Both men took cabs home and all that effort was wasted (though both claim they were not drunk, despite a slimy press release early in the incident attempting to portray them that way).

Police say neither Diotte or Ignasiuk were deliberately targeted for their criticism. They say many, many things, most of which were called into sharp question with the release of a chilling audio tape of the police operation.

There are questions now about the impartiality of the internal investigation of the sting, which Raynor insisted be done by the EPS. Two senior Edmonton cops face a disciplinary review for alleged 'discreditable conduct,' mostly for administrative matters, some others received warnings and some had nothing happen because 'they were just following

orders."

That's the basics: here's the latest. After many of his claims now appearing to be questionable with the release of the tape, Raynor was summoned to an emergency meeting of the Edmonton Police Commission early last week. But 30 minutes prior to the meeting, Raynor cancelled and put himself on 'Indefinite' sick leave. In the lower ranks that might be described as 'blue flu.."

The Commission then fired the Chief, who has been on the job less than a year, and tried to install the runner-up applicant for the post-a man with a record of taking on the 'old boys club' in police departments in favour of 'community policing'-the latest euphemism for community control of the police.

The details of the internal report are secret until the upcoming disciplinary hearings, but it's clear there is much we do not know. I do know that Raynor appears to have made some very bad choices, or was very poorly advised. I do know that the entire incident looks a lot like US style police activism. That's where officers target politicians who they judge to be lacking the proper degree of support for the cops. Edmonton police have now admitted Diotte and Ignasiuk were in fact the targets of the sting operation (T1 & T2, no less).

So after having his contract terminated (and looking fit), Raynor, with the support of the police union, held a news conference on the steps of police HQ, where he's now demanding a public inquiry.

It's important to put all this in context, this has just been the last in a recent series of incidents involving the force that have eroded public confidence in the police, and now in the Commission.

It's vital that confidence be restored and that may be why the Commission was moving quickly to get their man in place and to avoid the months of infighting and manoeuvring that marked Raynor's appointment. Which we may end up with anyway, as Edmonton City Council has now blocked hiring a new chief until after a public consultation process.

So what do we as Albertans need to get out of this? We need Alberta Solicitor General Harvey Cenaiko to make sure the amendments to the Police Act include a permanent and effective structure for the independent citizen's review and investigation of allegations of police wrong doing (the cops like to talk about 'civilians' in order to create distance between themselves and the pub-

lic. I much prefer 'citizens,' which is Latin for 'those who pay the bills and call the shots'). Bluntly, police forces can not be trusted to and should not be expected to investigate themselves.

We need to make sure that if there is an inquiry into all this, that it's focused on the sting incident itself and the questions still surrounding it. It should not be allowed to shift onto anything

else; such as The Commission, the media, Raynor's dismissal, etc.

Finally, anyone who's forgotten it needs to be reminded that it's the public, through it's elected and appointed officials who control the province's police. Anybody who forgets that should be encouraged to quickly join the ranks of the 'civilians'.

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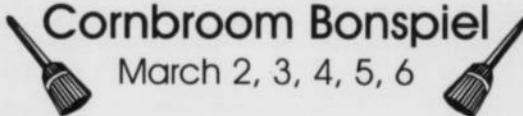
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Didsbury takes the Healthy Way Challenge

Michelle Honeyman is helping Didsburians take on the Choosewell Challenge to improve their health.

photo by Tamara Collins

by Tamara Collins

The Town of Didsbury is included in a Canada wide Community Choose Well Challenge to promote healthy lifestyles amongst Didsburians.

If you notice these signs around town, you are probably wondering what they mean. This program helps to monitor the health programs Didsbury has to offer.

"Anything that promotes healthy lifestyles in Didsbury is encouraged," said Michelle Honeyman.

Town Corporate Services Coordinator. "This includes the Town's fitness classes, the outdoor skating rink, everything that gets people moving. We are trying to send the message to eat right and get active."

The Challenge runs through the Fall/Winter season, and the Town is responsible to report how the town is doing in the Challenge.

"We looked around the town for ways to encourage people to live a healthy lifestyle, and at the ways we

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-Michelle Honeyman,
Town of Didsbury

were already doing this," said Honeyman. "The challenge goes till the end of the month."

March has been dedicated as this year's Nutrition Month with campaign plans to help Canadians achieve healthy weights with a realistic, solution based approach.

"Long term weight management and good health can be achieved by getting off the dieting bandwagon, focusing on enjoyable physical activity, tasty, healthy foods and feeling good about

yourself," said Mary Sue Waisman, RD, Dietitians of Canada. "A healthy lifestyle isn't difficult, painful or time consuming. To make your efforts successful, the foods you eat and the activities you do must be enjoyable, so it becomes a daily habit. Small gradual steps over time are the key."

The Nutrition month slogan is *Go the Healthy Way... Eat Well, Live Well, and Feel Great!* This reflects the positive, personal, feel good focus that dietitians are emphasizing to help people achieve their personal goals.

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AROUND THE CIRCLE

Family dance at Lone Pine Hall

by Marge St. Clair

Tues. Feb. 15

This is the second night for Registration for Lacrosse from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Didsbury Arena. Boys & girls aged 6 yrs. to 16 yrs. welcome. Adults are also needed for coaching. More info from Brenda 335-3292 or Pat 335-8637.

Thurs. Feb. 17

All seniors are welcome to Eldon Foote Hall from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. today. "Glass Etching" will be demonstrated and as always, a lovely lunch to follow.

Fri. Feb. 18 & Sat. Feb. 19

Come to the MP Room at the Complex to view the Antiques and Collectables from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri. and 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sat. There is a small admission fee.

Fri. Feb. 18

Cribbage play will start at 7:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. Coffee & goodies served, come and meet new people and enjoy the evening.

Sat. Feb. 19

This is the last

league game for the Mountain View Colts when they host Rimby at the Didsbury Arena at 8:00 p.m. Come and cheer the team on.

Sat. Feb. 19

Today, the first ever Canadian Stick Curling Classic will see all the teams playing in the finals in the 4 events piped onto and around the ice by local piper TJ Johnson. Pictures will be taken with the prize presentations. Come and watch some great curling.

Sat. Feb. 19

There will be a Family Dance at Lone Pine Hall, hamburgers will be served at 5:30 p.m., dancing from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. No alcohol. Get your family tickets by phoning 335-4035 or 337-2223.

Sun. Feb. 20

Joyce Mullen is celebrating 60 years combined services to the Guides & Scouts in Didsbury at an Open House in the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Members of all Guides and Scouting Groups, along with ex-group committee members and friends of Guiding and Scouting are invited to attend.

Mon. Feb. 21

Please get your entries in to Bruce Smith

at 335-9173 for the Lions Club Bonspiel being held Fri. & Sat. Feb. 25 & 26. This is open to all who like to curl and have fun; you will be royally treated because the Lions members are excellent cooks and their wives make delicious pies. Curling starts Fri. at 7:00 p.m. and you do not have to be a member of the Li-

ons to curl. See you there.

Sat. Feb. 26

The first presentation of Theatre Didsbury's new comedy "Playing Doctor" will be at the Westcott Community Centre on Sat. Feb. 26, doors open at 7:00 p.m., play at 8:00 p.m. Please phone Don 337-2049 for tickets.

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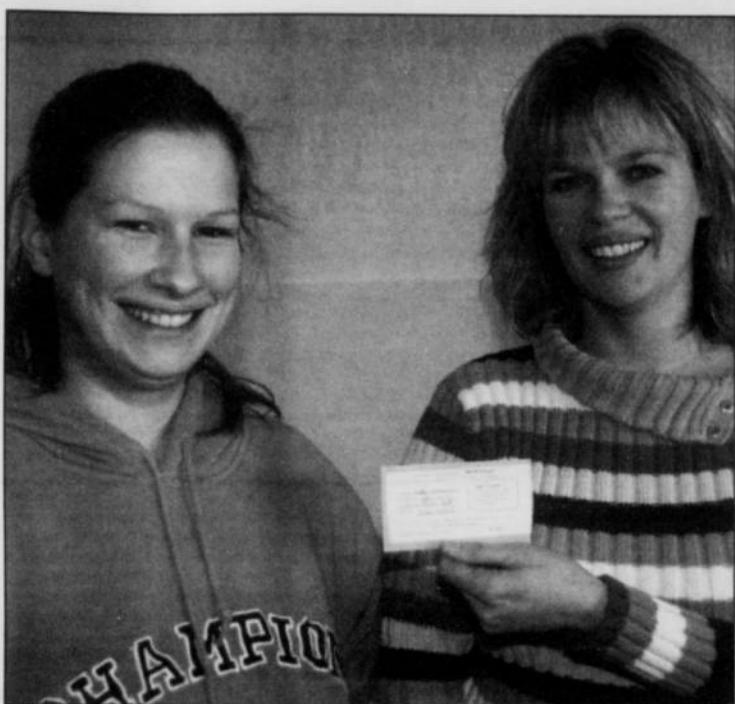


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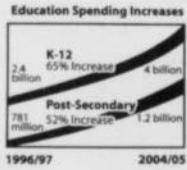
Thunder on the Prairies 50/50 winner

Samantha Newlove from JDs drew the name of the Ag Society's Thunder on the Prairies 50/50 draw, and the winner was Ethel Baudistel. Baudistel has won \$876, and Connie Conley of the Ag Society will take their half and put it towards this year's show. Another draw will start in April.



The Future of Education in Alberta

— From Premier Klein's Centennial Address —



- The Alberta Government is paying the bill for post-secondary tuition increases in 2005-2006.
- The government is introducing legislation to keep post-secondary accessible, affordable and high quality.
- 30,000 spaces will be created in post-secondary institutions over the next 6 years and double to 60,000 by 2020.
- The government is making class sizes smaller for Kindergarten to grade 12 students and their teachers.



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Fighting Foods

Broccoli

Cabbage

Ginger

Carrots

Green tea

Grains - oats, rye, barley

Tomatoes

Blueberries

Beans, lentils and peas

Brown rice

Tea is another major protective factor. Green tea in particular contains powerful catechins and ellagic acids that are being studied as factors that reduce tumour growth.

Broccoli, kale, cauliflower and cabbage, known collectively as cruciferous vegetables, contain sulforphane, which assists the liver in a two-part process of breaking down and eliminating carcinogens. The cruciferous vegetables add to the elimination part of the equation; without them, the liver is continually exposed to toxic elements, increasing the risk of cancer.

While cancer is a multi-factorial disease, we do have the opportunity to decrease our risk through our daily food choices. Start to implement easy factors such as fresh ground flax seed on cereals, drink green tea and snack on more fruits and vegetables. Focus on whole grains, beans and vegetables for lunch and dinner, and you'll be loading up on a whole host of protective elements for your future health.

Grains, beans and root vegetables in their whole form contain both soluble and insoluble fibre, which facilitates hormone ex-

cretion and decreases the burden of environmental toxins. Grains such as oats, rye, barley, buckwheat and wheat have marked inhibitory effects in the presence of carcinogens due to lignans, which have been shown to be both anti-tumour and antiviral.

Nuts and seeds such

as flax also have marked protective effects. The essential fatty acids they contain help support the immune system and they are also a good source of lignans. Even the colour of nut, seed and bean skins have phytochemicals that act as protective agents in our bodies.

Premier Klein special guest at Gala

Olds College is pleased to announce The Honourable Ralph Klein and Mrs. Colleen Klein will be attending the Roots & Stats Gala on March 11.

"We are proud and happy to be hosting the Premier and Mrs. Klein at this important event," said Stan Mills, Chair of the Olds College Board of Governors.

"Olds College's annual Growing the Legacy Gala events are exciting opportunities to advance programming and opportunities for our students. As

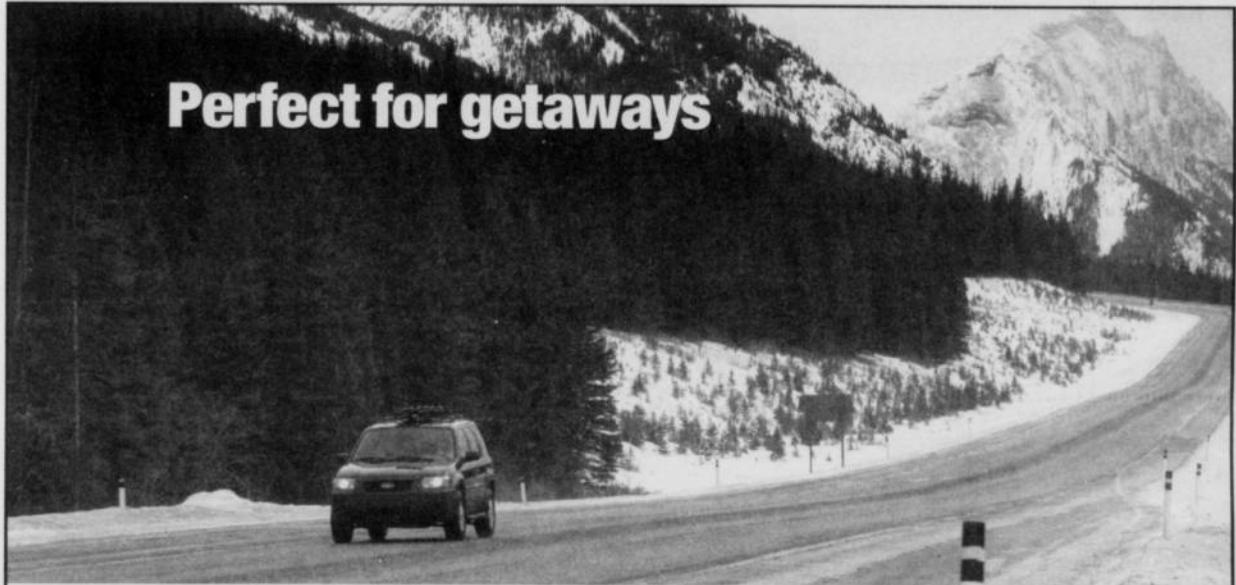
well, both the Province of Alberta and the Town of Olds celebrate their Centennial anniversaries in 2005 and I am pleased Premier Klein will be joining us in commemorating those milestones. The entire Olds College community looks forward to welcoming the Premier and Mrs. Klein on March 11th."

The Town of Olds will be presented with the Olds College 2005 Partner of the Year award at the Roots & Stats Gala. The Town of Olds and Olds College have worked closely together and partnered success-

fully on many projects since the college opened its doors in 1913, just eight years after Olds was officially incorporated as a town and Alberta became a province.

Other representatives from government who have confirmed their attendance at Roots & Stats include: The Honourable Dr. Lyle Oberg, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation; Richard Marz, MLA for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills; Town of Olds Mayor Judy Dahl and several members from Olds Town Council.

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A Royal donation

Honored Royal Lady Mary Spraggs presented Linda Sirr with a donation for the ZEMC Christmas Hampers

by **Lady**
Helen Newton

Jan. 19/05

The meeting was called to order by H.R.L. Mary Spraggs with short form opening. Visitors welcomed were Supreme Conductor - Brenda Johnston for Sundre Lodge, Wynne Wollen, Wendy MacKenzie, Jennifer Gilbert, Don Thompson, Kelly & Patty Thompson, Mary Dunn, Don MacMillan and Victoria Townrow.

HRL Spraggs presented our donation to Don Mac Millan for the Didsbury Lawn Bowling Club.

Pianist Shirley Thompson presented our cheque, the second half of our Scholarship to her granddaughter Jennifer Gilbert, who brought a cake for the Lady with a thank you written on it.

The Charter was draped in memory of our departed Sister Life member Betty Moon.

The Elks Supper on Dec. 9 was reported on by Lady Shirley Thompson; four ladies stayed for the meeting. We are invited to their first meeting supper every month.

Lady Betty Casebeer reported on our visits to the Sundre Christmas meeting which eight ladies attended and really enjoyed the entertainment.

On Dec. 24 Sunshine Chairman Loyal Lady Helen Newton delivered goodies to Kinsmen Manor and Aspen Ridge Lodge where we visited with

our Lodge Sisters Annie Pringle, Sue Pratt and Betty Casebeer. Ladies Annie Pringle and Val Hall had birthdays in January.

Lady Davies was given permission to step down as Sunshine Chairman due to work commitments, Lady Helen Newton volunteered to be Sunshine Chairman, Lady Carole Natyshen will help.

HRL Spraggs presented Lady Wadel with her ten year service pin and Lady Beale with her 5 year pin. The Lodge closed in short form. Fun was

had with a quiz and fellowship was enjoyed. Lunch was served including Jennifer's cake.

A team meeting was held in Calgary on Feb. 6, 6 Ladies attended. 7 Ladies went to Calgary's 84th birthday meeting on Mon. Feb. 8.

10 P.H.R. Ladies met at the Elks Hall to plan the meeting for our P.H.R. Ladies Night on Wed. Feb. 9th. Winners of the Raffle were

1. Ethel Hunley - Didsbury
2. I. Sunquist - Stavely

HOLIDAY REMINDER:

This week we have an early deadline due to the Family Day holiday.

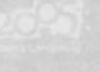
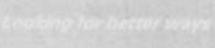
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— From Premier Klein's Centennial Address —

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Citizens in action



Al Hansen and Cst. Naomi Kuban

Citizens of Didsbury and Carstairs have the opportunity to assist the local RCMP and take part in their Crime Prevention program.

The Didsbury/ Carstairs

Citizens on Patrol Society (COPS) act as extra eyes and ears to assist the RCMP. The volunteer organization observes, records and report any suspicious activity or

behaviour as well as crimes in progress.

"The security and safety of our communities is paramount and we work to that end," said COPS secretary Al Hansen.

In 2004 a total of 102 patrols were conducted, resulting in 902 hours of volunteer time. During those patrols 12 business premises were found insecure, two break-ins were discovered, two acts of vandalism noted and three suspected impaired drivers reported. Patrol activity has resulted in the recovery of two stolen vehicles with suspects detained by police, and a suspicious

vehicle reported by COP resulted in the arrest of suspects in break-ins in communities throughout southern Alberta.

"Many acts of assistance are also recorded as we strive to deter criminals from visiting our communities late at night," said Hansen.

Constable Naomi Kuban of the Didsbury RCMP says the society has a number of benefits, including meeting others in the community you may not normally meet.

"It also shows people the backstage operations of the community, what happens at night," said Kuban. "What

the police really do in your community. It also gives them the opportunity to make a positive difference in the community by being the eyes and the ears."

COPS was formed in May 2003. It presently has 29 members.

If you are over 18 years old, mature, wanting to help make your community a safer place, and willing to commit to one patrol per month you can contact Al at 335-8755 or Bob at 337-3717.

"We always do our patrols in twos," said Hansen. "We will train you and give you the right tools to do the job."

Charlotte's Web performed in Didsbury

After last year's performance of "The Gentleman from Indiana" ZEM & Friends Youth Theatre Players have been asked, what is next? Finally the answer has come, Charlotte's Web will be performed at Zion E.M. Church in Didsbury for three consecutive nights.

Starting March 4th and running through to the 6th, this performance is sure to bring you as much enjoyment as last years.

The musical based drama

is based on the story by E.B. White. The performers range from ages 12 to 17.

Wilbur the pig, played by Angela Jousten, was raised by a girl named Fern who loved him very much. Now he is a barn pig, and bored and lonely. Then he meets Charlotte, played by Kellie Bueckert, a beautiful spider who too lives in the barn. Charlotte thinks of a way to save Wilbur from his unhappy pig fate, her plan will delight people of any age in this famous story.

"I was not sure if I wanted to do this at first," said Bueckert. "Then Suzie (Neufeld) called and convinced me to try out. I prayed about it and I decided the story has a positive message so I tried out and got the lead."

Bueckert has been acting on and off since she was 8 years old. She acted in "When the Wind Calls" with Jeanette Oak two years ago.

There will be a dress rehearsal Thursday night at Zion also.

"I would say this play is definitely for younger generations," said Bueckert. "It is basically the same story with the same characters and the same songs from the movie. We have added some of our own songs also."

The cast has been practising three days a week and they started at the end of October.

"Everyone plays a big role in this play," said Bueckert. "It is going to be a great show."



Kellie Bueckert

Time to book your booth

It is almost Trade Show time again, and in preparation for it the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce ask that you book your booths soon.

"We are already 45 percent sold out," said Joelle Fournier, Didsbury Chamber of Commerce. "That is 10 percent ahead of last year. The booths are going quickly."

This year the Trade Show will run on April 9th and 10th.

To rent a regular booth

when you are not a Chamber member is \$300 plus GST. If you are a Chamber member it is \$250, and if you are a Prairie to Peaks member it is \$275.

This year the Show will include "A Taste of Didsbury" for the first year. Local restaurants will be participating in this, which is already completely booked.

"We have booths available in Volunteer Village sponsored by FCSS," said Fournier. "They

pay for 15 booths for non-profit organizations and volunteers, after those 15, non-profit groups can purchase a booth for \$250."

Fournier says non-profit groups can also seek sponsorship from local businesses.

"You can book booths up till the Trade Show," said Fournier. "If you want to be involved in the promotional stuff you should book by March 1st."

To book a booth you can call Joelle at 335-4803, or visit didsburychamber.ca and look under the trade show link. On the website you can also look and see everyone else who has booked a booth and see who your neighbors are. You are also able to send an email to book a booth to tradeshow@didsburychamber.ca.

"This year we are going to have a Centennial exhibit to incorporate our 100 year an-

niversary and people have the option of dressing up as their favorite decade," said Fournier.

Awards will be given out for the best decorated booth and a People's Choice Award.

"It is a lot of fun," said Fournier. "Over 3000 people come and it's a soft sell, it is also a great time to visit with your customers and show them some customer appreciation."

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Visual Image Picture Framing Grand Opening

Karen McRae proudly stands in her new picture framing shop located in Didsbury at the back of the Royal Lepage building on Main Street. McRae and her family celebrated the Grand Opening of her shop on Valentine's day. McRae specializes in custom framing to fit all your picture needs.

-photo by Tamara Collins

Snappy's Chrome Emporium & Garage Outfitters

Snappy's Chrome Emporium and Garage Outfitters is open and has conducted their first training class for automotive technicians. The automotive electronics diagnostics course is held over two weekends. The first class started Jan. 22 and concluded on Feb. 6. The course drew in 20 students from throughout central Alberta with attendees from as far north as Edmonton. "It is great that this is offered to independent mechanics," said student Dave Reinhardt. "It is hard to keep up with new technology and this helped a lot."

Another student said he was learning stuff he could use everyday.

Weese explains that independent shop owners do not have good access to training and they need training to stay up to date.

"What I am trying to do is provide the best quality product and service in any area and the training aspect is one more part of that," said owner Bruce Weese. "This really is Snap-on training."

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"We are very focused on our customers," said Weese. "I cater to their needs."

Weese caters mostly to independent garages and mechanics. He is also big on shopping local, he is very community minded.

"I just love Didsbury, it is awesome here!"

In the future Weese plans on hosting meetings for local car clubs and participating in Didsbury's Show and Shine at his new location.

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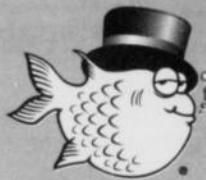
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NEIGHBORHOOD

Koinonia gears up for spring activities

by April Barton

Spring is a hectic time at Olds Koinonia School as parents gear up for the school's 16th annual fund-raising gala and students prepare for their missions trip down south!

AUCTION ACTION! With less than a month to go before the spring fund-raising Banquet and Silent Auction, organizers are busily preparing for this one-night event scheduled for Saturday, March 12th. The Spring Banquet will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Olds Koinonia Campus Centre, with the auction action preceding and following the meal.

Donated items are already coming in for the Silent Auction, said OKCS parent and auction organizer Sylvia Smit of Olds. Previewing of auction and bidding will run from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on March 12th, with the recommencement of bidding scheduled from 7:15 to 9 p.m. (following the banquet).

In past years, about \$70,000 has been raised annually in this spring venture. Various items are donated in the areas of: Agricultural and Commercial, Custom-made items, Sports, Travel and Recreation, Custom Services and Arts and Crafts. Businesses and individuals interested in donating items or services to the Auction are encouraged to call Auction Coordinator Sylvia Smit at 556-1716 or Olds Koinonia at 556-4038. Donated items or services are eligible for a tax-deductible receipt for the fair market value of the donation. Those giving a cash contribution during the offering taken at the Banquet will also receive a tax-deductible receipt for the donation. Attendance at the banquet is not necessary to participate in the Silent Auction.

Tickets to the Banquet are now available by calling the school at 556-4038. Tickets are just \$15 adults or \$6 (ages 5-11 years). Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis until March 7th. Banquet tickets will not be sold at the door the evening of the banquet.

MISSION TO MEXICO: One week after the Spring Banquet and Silent Auction in March, 30 students from OKCS will pack up and head south on a two-week missions trip to Mexico.

With nine leaders, plus cooks, the Grade 11 and 12 students will leave behind Alberta's wintry temperatures and head to the city of Hermosillo where temperatures are expected to be in the high 30s to 40-degree Celsius range.

This is the seventh year OKCS has been involved in a Mexico missions trip and is a great experience for the youth involved, said OKCS Principal Dwayne Brown.

Cremona School Science Fair Results

Kindergarten (Experiment) Draygen Lewis, gold. Kindergarten (Study) Raena Terrick, gold.

Grade One (Displays) Amber Reid, gold and Gabe Terrick, silver.

Grade One (Scientific) Victoria Pereversoff, gold and Kelsey McKinnon, silver.

Grade Two (Display) Heather Walker and Dayle Cameron, gold; Kailey Turner, silver; Silene Stoltz, Silver and Mackenzie Argent, bronze.

Grade Two (Scientific) Joey Gelowitz, gold; Maria and Morgan Hughes, silver and Colton Reid bronze.

Grade Three Candice MacDonald, gold; Jordan Massel, silver; Courtney Robertson bronze and Christopher Pederson, bronze.

Grade Four Jessica

Pereversoff, gold; Carly Heath and Carly Chalmers, gold; James Turner, silver; Ashley Reid, silver; Madeline Werezak, bronze; and Chett Veres, bronze.

Grade Five Tachara Laroche, gold; Josse Fear and Bryce McKinnon, gold; Leah Fowler, silver; Paige Juneau, silver; Denim Brown, bronze; Cole Morrison and Ben Howells bronze and Daniel Pederson, bronze.

Grade Six Annessa Good, gold; Stephanie Lacey, silver; Camilla Nyhus and Cassidy Anderson, bronze.

Grade Seven Michelle Lacey and Kate Pereversoff, Gold and Best of Fair; Danielle Woolverton, Karlee Hehr and Jessica Anderson, silver.

Grade Eight - Stephanie Newbrey and Natalie Leask, gold.

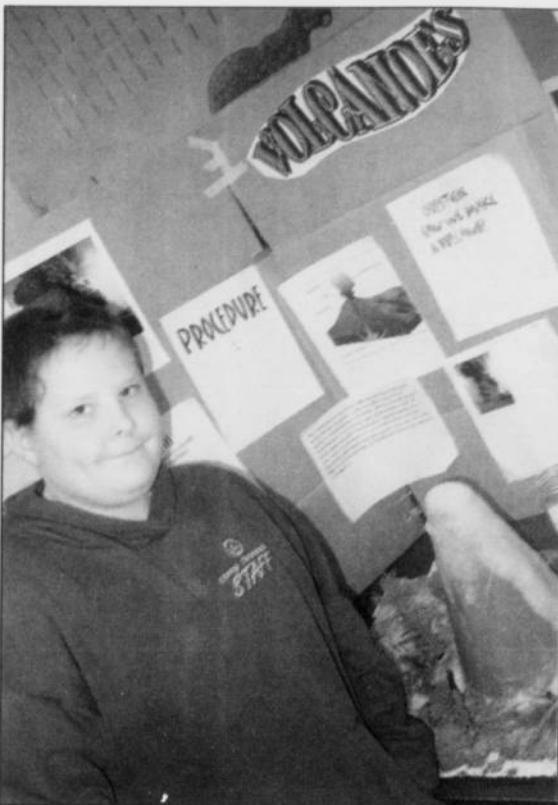


Photo by Shawne Mohl

Grade four student Richie Bauer and Lane Lashmore (not pictured) worked hard on their science fair project, 'Volcanoes.' The two boys constructed a paper mache volcano which they filled with a special formula to actually make it erupt.

"We are wanting to allow our young people to experience another culture and develop an appreciation for how other people live. This kind of a trip into a third-world culture is very much an eye-opener," he said.

Students will be working alongside OKCS alumnus Greg Neufeld and his wife Shelli who make Hermosillo their home. Hermosillo is a city of about 1-million people in NW Mexico that is crowded into the area of about one-quarter the size of Calgary. While there, Koinonia students will be involved in ministries that include music, art, a children's ministry, and sports ministries involving basketball, soccer and ball hockey. A work team will also be organized.

"A missions trip like this provides an opportunity to share the gospel," said Mr. Brown. "Kids will see for themselves what full-time missionary work is all

about and see if this is something they might be interested in doing."

AID RELIEF: Students from ECS to grade 12 took an offering for the Tsunami Relief project in January at one of the school's weekly Chapel times. A cheque for almost \$2850 (which included family donations) was sent to the Samaritan's Purse organization to assist them in their relief efforts.

GRAD'S EASTER LILY FUND-RAISER: The OKCS Graduating Class of 2005 is currently offering their Easter Lily Fundraiser. Potted lilies are available at just \$10 each. Orders must be given prior to March 14. The flowers will be delivered by March 18 to the school. Anyone interested in supporting the OKCS Grads is asked to contact the school at 556-4038, or call a grad member.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

Star students make beautiful music



It's an honour

photo by Carla Victor

Band honour students from all over Chinook's Edge School Division performed together for a one-time concert, in Olds, Feb. 10.

by Carla Victor

Chinook's Edge most musically gifted students proved they have what it takes, treating spectators to an exceptional performance, Feb. 10.

This year's CESD Honour Band brought students from across the division, Carstairs, Cremona, Didsbury, Olds, Innisfail, Sylvan Lake and Red Deer's River Glen school, together for intense musical and instrumental study.

Each school's band director selected his/her top students to form an advanced group of musicians.

Brian Thorlacius, Queen Elizabeth Jr. Sr.

High school in Calgary, was this year's guest director.

Students varying in grades from 5 to 7 and Grades 9 to 12 made up two groups.

The older Grade 4 band students worked with Thorlacius for a total of three practice hours, the younger Grade 1 group received four practice hours. Each instrumental section received an additional four hours of instruction from instrumental specialists.

Although Thorlacius conducts week-long workshops at the UofC regularly, he said this intense workshop was a new experience.

"I saw these students for a little over

three hours and they managed to pull together three tunes, which to me, is outstanding," said Thorlacius.

"My hat goes off to all the kids and their instructors to be able to do that. "Nicole Read, Olds High school band director, said this time for honour students is very valuable.

"Just the whole push to do a concert like that in such a short time is a great experience, I was extremely impressed."

She said this experience also gave advanced students the opportunity to study difficult pieces they wouldn't otherwise be able to.

FROM ST. CYPRIAN'S ACW

Shrove Tuesday

by Merrilee Anthony

A Pancake Supper was prepared by the ACW on Shrove Tuesday, February 8th. The delicious supper was enjoyed by both parishioners and the community.

Shrove Tuesday is the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday which is the first day of Lent. It is a day of penitence, to clean the soul, and a day of celebration as the last chance to feast before Lent begins.

The pancakes themselves are part of an ancient custom with deeply religious roots. Shrove Tuesday gets its name from the ritual of shriving that Christians used to undergo in the past. In shriving, a person confesses their sins and receives absolution for them.

In the olden days there were many foods that observant Christians would not eat during Lent: foods such as meat and fish, fats, eggs and milky foods. So that no food was wasted, families would have a feast on the shriving Tuesday and eat up all the foods that wouldn't last the forty days of Lent.

Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up

all the eggs, fats and milk in the house with just the addition of flour. How many of us serve our family pancakes made from scratch?

Hazel Miller, our Education Chair brings us inspiring and informational readings every meeting. At our January 24th meeting, Hazel told us of the work of Colonel John McCrae, the chief Chaplain of the Walter Read Army Hospital.

Colonel John McCrae is the chief Chaplain of the Walter Read Army Hospital's pastoral care department. When he was in college he felt a calling to the ministry but he was not sure he could meet the demands of a full time minister.

He had prayed for God's guidance. In his senior year he was drafted but, learning he was studying for the ministry, he received a deferment.

He had to report to the induction centre as a "formality" and the next thing he knew he had been inducted into the U.S. Army and became a military chaplain.

Today, in the Walter Read Hospital, the armed forces spiritual leaders - Protestant,

Catholic, Jewish and Moslem - do their trauma ministry work. There have been more than 7000 service members wounded in Iraq. While the medical teams treat their physical wounds, the spiritual wounds of war are tended to by the pastoral staff.

The wounded struggle with a tangle of emotions, ranging from anger about their injuries, regret for what might have been, fear of what they still have to face, even guilt that they have returned home while their units are still in danger, and especially, doubts about their faith. The chaplains try to meet the soldiers where they are in their spiritual journey.

However, often it is the soldiers themselves who provide much needed inspiration and hope to each other. Matching the soldiers' dedication to each other is the medical staff's dedication. Colonel McCrae says there are amazing things being done in the Walter Read Hospital and miracles take place daily. But perhaps hope itself and faith are the greatest miracles.

Pie Sunday will take place on February 20th and the next ACW Meeting will be held Monday, February 28th at 1:30 p.m.

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NEIGHBORHOOD

Letters...

Listening with a deaf ear

Dear Editor:

I read with interest the editorial appearing in the February 2nd issue of the Didsbury Review and the article in the "Town Crier" to which it referred. Community spirit is indeed going the way of the Doo Doo Bird. This dissolution of community spirit is evidenced in the "valid concerns" cited in the editorial.

There's the lady who indicated three cars on her street had been sideswiped because the windrow of snow down the middle of the street did not allow sufficient room for the passage of vehicles. Is this the fault of the windrow of snow? Is this the fault of the crew who created the windrow? Is it the fault of the people who parked their cars in a location that didn't allow sufficient room for traffic flow? Or is this the fault of the kamikaze operators of the vehicles travelling down the street who didn't recognize or didn't care that they couldn't fit their vehicle between the windrow of snow and the vehicles parked to the side?

The lady who stated that "they can never turn left when leaving AG Foods in the winter because the snow is plowed too high in the middle of the street", must be speaking about an AG Foods in some town other than Didsbury. I know I don't get into town as often as many in the area and I know that I don't always drive by the Didsbury AG Foods every time I'm in town but, I can only recall one occasion this winter when there was a windrow of snow in the middle of the street in front of the Didsbury AG Foods that would block a left turn out of the Didsbury AG Foods parking lot. As a side note, I saw that particular windrow as a challenge and conquered it quite nicely thank you very much. To say "they can never" make a left turn out of Didsbury AG Foods in winter is an absolute load of hogwash as everyone in town over the last week of wonderful chinook weather knows. To report such a ridiculously false statement in the local newspaper must encroach on, if not utterly blow the doors off, irresponsible

journalism. At the very least it puts integrity and judgement into question.

Then there's the angry mom who had to "drive three extra blocks" to pick up her children from school. Oh the hardships we have to endure on the streets of Didsbury nowadays. My goodness, having to "drive three extra blocks" must certainly rate right up there with the most recent tsunami and the snow smoothed Maritimes as one

of the most catastrophic events of the year. Let's face it, having to "drive three extra blocks" in our fair town is going to take what ... 2 extra minutes? This is indeed a Didsbury catastrophe. Is this more deserving of editorial ink than the loss of obstetrical services at the Didsbury Hospital and Didsbury's hosting of the Midget 'B' Provincial Championships? I don't think so.

I agree with your statement that "every-

one deserves to be heard" but there are times that it might serve each of us well to turn the BS-ometer on and filter through some of the less credible statements and petty complaints before passing them on as the rule rather than the exception. It is statements like these that fuel the erosion of community spirit in Didsbury and should be treated by the press in our community with the attention they deserve, a deaf ear.

Bill Windsor

Olds Legion #105 Feb. notes

by Marge St. Clair

Hall

General meeting
Tues. Feb. 22 7:30 p.m.

Weekly Events
Every Monday -
Shuffleboard - 1:00 p.m.; Cribbage - 7:00 p.m.

Every Wed. - Darts - 7:00 p.m.; Bingo - 7:15 p.m.

Every Thurs. -
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Winter Reflection Starskate runoff- Didsbury's Results



Ladies Preliminary Elements
Fer Niembro- Gold Medal
Caitlan Hunter- Bronze Medal



Ladies Preliminary Freeskate
Fer Niembro- Gold Medal



Ladies Pre-preliminary Elements- 5th place Sawyer Baker



Pre-preliminary Team Event- Bronze Medal
Left: Brooke Reister, Carly Dunn, Jasmine Knoll and Sawyer Baker



Ladies Jr. Bronze Elements
Marian Niembro- Silver Medal



Ladies Jr. Bronze Freeskate
Marian Niembro- Gold Medal



Ladies Jr. Bronze Elements
6th place- Chantel Knoll



Canskate Team Event- Bronze Medal
Left: Carly Dunn, Hali Faryna, Hannah Hammond and Kailey Gosselin



Ladies Spin Spiral Jump
Carly Dunn- Gold Medal
Phoenix Chaytor- Bronze Medal



Ladies Jr. Bronze Freeskate
6th place and Ladies Preliminary Freeskate- 9th place- Caitlan Hunter



Sr. Bronze Freeskate 6th place, Allison McCoy. Allison has also received a bye to Provincials in WhiteCourt for her Ladies Gold Skills and Ladies Silver Interpretive.



Canskate Team Event- Bronze Medal
Left: Marissa Doerksen, Brooke Reister, Phoenix Chaytor and Sydney Sorenson (missing).



Preliminary Team Event- Silver Medal
Sawyer Baker, Caitlan Hunter, Erin Wood and Jasmine Knoll

Jasmine Knoll participated in Ladies Preliminary Freeskate



Jr Bronze Team- Gold Medal
Fer Niembro, Marian Niembro, Erin Wood and Eric Palin

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NEIGHBORHOOD

Focus on the Family



QUESTION: You've indicated when sex education should begin. When should it end?

DR. DOBSON: You should plan to end your formal instructional program about the time your son or daughter enters puberty (the time of rapid sexual development in early adolescence). Puberty usually begins between the ages of 10 and 13 for girls and between 11 and 14 for boys. Once they enter this developmental period, they are typically embarrassed by discussions of sex with their parents. Adolescents usually resent adult intrusion during this time -- unless they raise the topic themselves. In other words, this is an area where teens should invite parents into their lives.

I feel that we should respect their wishes. We are given 10 or 12 years to provide the proper understanding of human sexuality. After that foundation has been laid, we serve primarily as resources to whom our children can turn when the need exists.

That is not to say parents should abdicate their responsibility to provide guidance about issues related to sexuality, dating, marriage, etc., as opportunities present themselves. Again, sensitivity to the feelings of the teen is paramount. If he or she wishes to talk, by all means, welcome the conversation. In other cases, parental guidance may be most effective if offered indirectly. Trusted youth workers at church or in a club program such as Campus Life or Young Life can often break the ice when parents can't.

I'd also suggest that you arrange a subscription for your kids to magazines that provide solid advice -- from the perspective of a friend, rather than an authority figure. Examples include Brio (for girls ages 12 and up), and Breakaway (for boys ages 12 and up), both of which are available through Focus on the Family.

QUESTION: My boyfriend and I have been seeing each other for almost a year. Initially, he would freely show me a great deal of respect and affection. Lately, however, I'm seeing less and less of this attention. I don't want to be overly sensitive, but I don't want to be used as a doormat either. How can I know for sure what is the case?

DR. DOBSON: Give yourself a little test by answering these questions about the relationship. Are you making all the phone calls to the other person? Does he tell you the truth invariably? Have you been "stood up" without a reasonable excuse? Do you fear he is slipping away, and is that causing you to "grab and hold"?

Are you tolerating insults that others would not accept? Does he show evidence of "cherishing" you and wanting to make you happy? Does he reveal your secrets to others and make comments about you in public that embarrass you? Is he physically abusive at times? Does he ever "reach" for you instead of your reaching for him? Do your friends ever say, "Why do you put up with the stuff he does?"

These are questions that only you can answer. But if you are honest with yourself, you will have no difficulty identifying disrespectful components to your relationship. If you come up with the wrong answers, the solution is not to beg him to do better. It is to pull back and see if he follows. If not, you're better off looking for someone else.

QUESTION: Does the feeling of entrapment in marriage happen only late in life, or does it sometimes occur earlier?

DR. DOBSON: Trapped reactions can occur among teenagers during courtship or at any time within a marriage -- from the first day of the honeymoon to 50 years thereafter. They happen any time one partner devalues the worth of the other and feels stuck in the relationship. They form the cornerstone of midlife crises among men, and are typical of women who feel their husbands are wimpy and lacking in confidence. I believe the majority of divorces can be traced to the twin reactions of disrespect and marital claustrophobia.

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Didsbury Ag. Society Notes

by Connie & Marge

1. Feb. 2, 7:30 p.m. - Good attendance.
2. Treasurers Report - All budgets were reviewed and discussed.
3. Bench Fair Comm. - Will meet before the next monthly meeting of the Society.
4. The draw for the 50/50

tickets will be made on Feb. 14th.

Committee Updates

1. Building - Work projects will be planned and started as soon as the weather permits.
2. Bull Riding - Meeting on Feb. 28 to plan more events.

3. Light Horse - Meeting soon.

4. Farmers Market - First market on May 18.

5. Newsletter - Everyone at the meeting received one, the Chamber of Commerce, the Town & the Library will also receive one.

Next meeting will be Wed. Mar. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Curling Rink.

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AIRDRIE ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIGHTNING

Playoff hopes still alive for Lightning

The playoff hopes of the Airdrie Rocky Mountain Lightning continued to hang by a thread after a pair of losses in Rural Alberta AAA Midget Hockey League action on the weekend.

The Lightning lost 7-1 to the Calgary Edge Mountaineers in action Friday night in Springbank, then dropped a 6-2 count to the Grande Prairie Storm at the Arena Saturday night. The two losses, combined with a win by the Wainwright Polar Kings, leave the Lightning just two points up on the Polar Kings in the battle for the last playoff spot in the south division. The local squad has finished its 40-game schedule while the Kings have two games left—both against the Storm this weekend in Wainwright. Grande Prairie is in second place in the north division of the league.

The Lightning were never really in the game in Springbank despite trailing by a score of only 1-0 after 20 minutes. The Edge, leaders in the south division, led 4-1 after two periods and wrapped up the win with three unanswered third period tallies. Carson Rowat had the lone goal for the losers who were out-shot 45-13 in the one-sided contest. Goalie Garrett Sheehan faced the barrage once again for the Lightning and made several excel-

lent close-in saves. The Saturday night game, played before a large home-town crowd, looked to be an extension of the Friday night drubbing as the Storm went up 2-0 early in the first period.

However, Lightning captain Mike Bannister took advantage of a powerplay to tuck the puck past the Grande Prairie netminder after a rebound from a Braiden Burke shot to cut the count to 2-1 and Rowat scored on a nice shot to knot the count at 2-2 before the end of the first. Burke and Josh Robertson earned assists on the tying goal.

The momentum appeared to be turning in favor of the Lightning as the teams headed into the second period but the old nemesis of the home side—penalties—raised its head again as the visitors scored two powerplay goals to go up 4-2 after 40 minutes, then saluted the game away with two goals in the third.

If the Storm are able to knock off the Polar Kings twice this weekend, the Lightning will face the Northeast Panthers in the first round of best-of-three playoff action. The Wainwright squad will advance to post-season play with one win as they have a better record in inter-squad action against the Lightning.

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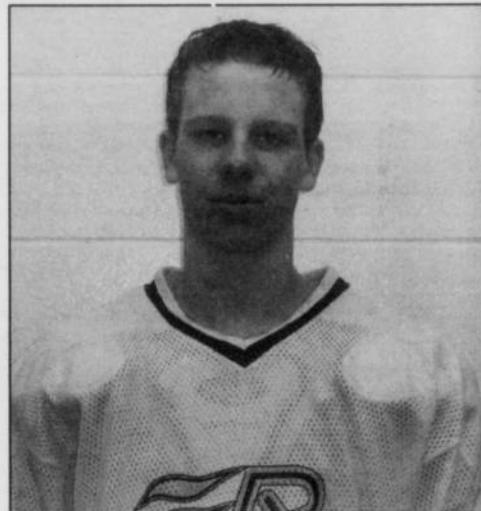
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Jeff Kerr

Jersey #2
Plays Defence
First Year Midget

This player is making his first appearance at a Provincial Championship. Jeff's favorite minor hockey memory came from last year when he played with the Midget A's as an underager.

Jeff sums up the upcoming provincials best... "Let's get'er done!"



Kris Jackson

Jersey #60
Plays Goal
Second Year Midget

Kris is making his third appearance at Provincials. He played in the Atom B in 99/00 and was an affiliate player in the Bantam B tournament in 2002.

Last year's midget team attended the Great Falls Casey AA Cup in Montana, and this stands out as Kris' favorite minor hockey memory.

He is looking forward to the upcoming events surrounding the Midget Provincial tournament.

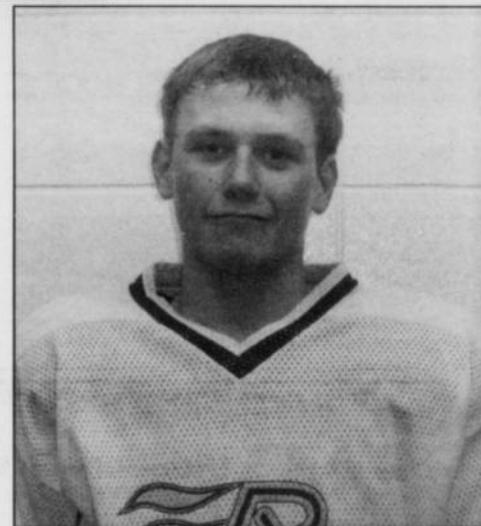


Tim Phillips

Jersey #13
Plays Defence
Second Year Midget

This native Didsburian has fond memories from 99/00 when he played as host team in the Atom B and won a silver medal. Tim says this is his best minor hockey memory to present.

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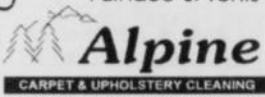
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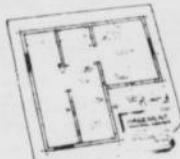
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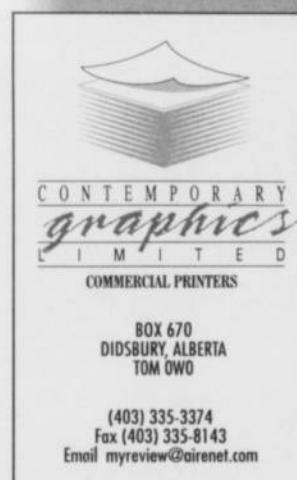
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HILDEBRAND MOTORS

Goodwrench Service

 Your Hometown GM Dealer
 Highway 27 West
Olds
 Phone **556-3371**

Rural Women In Business (Business Networking)

Speaker: Gene Hartmann The Didsbury Review "Effective Advertising". Wednesday, February 16th 9:30 a.m. The Country Cup & Bakery, Cremona.

Anti-Smoking Skating Party
 Feb. 18 from 4-6:30 p.m. at Didsbury Arena. All ages welcome. Admission \$1.00. Hosted by the Blast Team from Westglen. Donations go to Cancer Research.

Easter Triduum
 St. Anthony's Catholic Church 2030 24th Ave. Holy Thursday 5:30 p.m. Good Friday 3:00 p.m. Holy Saturday Vigil 9:00 p.m. Call 507-0890 for more details.

Didsbury Minor Hockey
 3rd Annual Pub Night. Fri. Mar. 4. Tickets available through any hockey parent, Krebs Vet Clinic or Kelly 335-7370 or 507-0777.

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Tsunami Charity Dinner and Silent Auction

February 26th at PaSu Farm. Donation of \$50 for the dinner and talk. Reservation essential as space is limited. Call 337-2800 for reservations and details.

The Singing Hills Trio Concert

Bethel Evangelical Missionary Church, Hwy 580 - between Carstairs and Cremona. Sun. Feb. 20/05. 6:30 p.m. Love offering. 337-2355.

Citizens on Patrol

Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you. To volunteer call 335-8755.

Canadian Stick Curling Classic 2005

Starts Tues. Feb. 15. Runs every day. Finals on Sat. Feb. 19 at Didsbury Curling Rink.

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Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip

Bus trip to Stage West "Odd Couple" March 2nd. Cost is \$45. Money must be in by February 4th. Call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449.

Walking Group

Meets Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at Westglen School. Meet at main entrance or contact Cindy at 335-9437 for more information.

Mountain View Mens Floor Hockey

We play Friday nights at 7:00 at Deer Meadows School in Olds. 16+. Call Byron 335-2229.

WESTCOTT

Westcott Community Hall

Theatre Night "Playing Doctor" Feb 26/05. Authors William Van Zandt and Jane Milmore. Doors open 7:00. Play at 8:00. For tickets call Don 337-2049.

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5:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Mon - Sat
 6:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Sunday

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ONGOING EVENTS

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SPECIAL FAMILIES RESOURCE ASSOCIATION

Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. Meetings now held on the 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce meets the 2nd Thursday each month. For more info please call 335-3265.

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call the Town Office 335-3391.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Fall hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30 - 4:30. Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Joan Court at 335-8392 or Larry Hunsperger at 335-3284.

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy Library. (Closed for the Summer) The Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Colleen at 335-8484 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Knox United Church, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-9107 or 335-9372 for more information.

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info: Call Marg Steckler at 335-4281.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury & District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2004-2005 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social programming for children 3 to 5 years old. For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039.

DIDSBURY-DIAL-A-BUS

Scheduled transportation for anyone on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9 - 3. Please call day prior or by 8:00 a.m. for pick up. 507-0208. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by the Didsbury Lions Club.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday mornings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 556-3807 for information.

DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

Provides free accessible mental health services. Which inc. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. to Fri. 8:30-4:00.

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Neighbours Indeed

Who do you know...

That is celebrating any of these special events?

- Birth of a child
- Wedding
- Special Anniversary, 25, 40, 50, 55, etc.

A special KEEPSAKE GIFT is available compliments of the following community-minded business and professional people:

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 Mountain View Credit Union
 RE/MAX Mountain Air
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Please call Angela Oldridge
 335-4443

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W.H.O.A.S

Wild Horses of Alberta Society. Help preserve these magnificent animals in their natural environment. Meetings are the first Tues. of every month at Olds Cow Palace, 8 p.m. Call Doreen at 556-6167 for more information.

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Growing Opportunities
 "GO" is a Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program that offers services to pregnant women and teens. Staff are on site every second Friday. 335-7292.

These organizations would like to thank the DIDSBURY REVIEW as well as all the LOCAL BUSINESSES advertising on this page who together make this Community Calendar possible. Your support in providing this 'free of charge' service to all non-profit organizations is greatly appreciated.

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College Green Close



New Listing
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5 bedroom, over 2100 sq. ft.
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walk out basement. Show home quality.
60 Westpoint Drive



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2 bedrooms, vaulted ceiling, fireplace.
23 Westpoint Drive



\$79,500

78 X 130 commercial lot.
Prime location.
20th Street



New Listing

\$178,500

3 bedrooms up, 1 down
finished basement.
Built in 1999 located
on a large corner lot



New Listing
Family Duplex

1080 sq. ft.
4 bedroom, 3 bath
new renovations
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Acreage in Town

\$319,000

2500 sq', 3 bed plus
Den and Studio
all on 2 acres of land.
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